In addition to a core set of courses exploring the Bible as literature and Christian ethics and thought, you’ll select electives to tailor the program to your interests. Here’s a sample of what you can expect to learn and do:

**Old Testament as Literature**
This course examines the literary, theological, and social-cultural development of the Old Testament and its importance for modern societies. Topics such as religious syncretism, mythological influences, and the conflicts in religious beliefs and ideas are among the concepts investigated in this course.

**New Testament as Literature**
This course explores the fundamentals of how the Christian Scriptures came to be and discusses the critical issues that challenge modern interpretations of biblical texts. In our study of the New Testament, we gain insights into the social, cultural, literary, and religious contexts in which the early Christian texts arose.

**Christianity and the Environment**
This course is a study of Christian life and commitment to the stewardship of Earth. It emphasizes the development of scientific perspectives and the exploration of a creation spirituality.

**Christian Ethics**
This course is an introduction to the broader Christian conversation on ethical issues. Students learn how to become intelligent participants in the process of owning and forming the ethical decisions that impact their lives and the lives of others.